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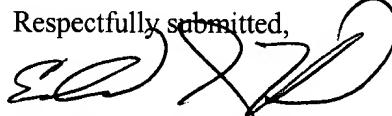
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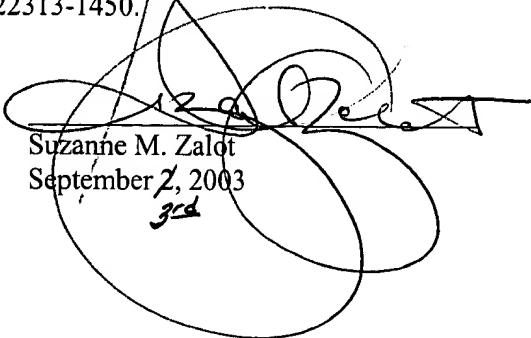
## STATUS INQUIRY

Dear Sir:

Applicant by and through his counsel hereby inquires as to the current disposition of the above-identified case. Applicant had filed an Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.115 on September 30, 2002 which was the last known paper filed in the instant case. To date, Applicant has not received a further Office Action or Notice of Allowance in this application. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests an expected date of when a further Communication will be received in connection with this application. Applicant further requests that the Patent Office provide a written reply to this status letter.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
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I hereby certify that this Status Inquiry is being mailed via first class mail with the United States Post Office under 37 CFR §1.10 on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

  
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